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SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

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In compliance with the duty imposed by 37 C.F.R. § 1.56, and in accordance with 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.97 *et. seq.*, the enclosed materials are brought to the attention of the Examiner for consideration in connection with the above-identified patent application. Applicants respectfully request that this Supplemental Information Disclosure Statement be entered and the documents listed on the attached Form 1449 be considered by the Examiner and made of record. Pursuant to the provisions of MPEP 609, Applicants request that a copy of the 1449 form, initialed as being considered by the Examiner, be returned to the Applicants with the next official communication.

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §1.97(c)(2), Applicants hereby authorize the Commissioner to charge the fee of \$180.00 as set forth in 37 C.F.R. §1.17(p), to Deposit Account No. 19-0743. Please charge any additional fees or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 19-0743.

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. 1.98(a)(2), Applicant believes that copies of cited U.S. Patents and Published Applications, and Non-Published Applications identifiable by USPTO Serial Number, are no longer required to be provided to the Office. Notification of this change to this effect was provided in the United States Patent and Trademark Office OG Notices dated October 12, 2004 and October 19, 2004. Thus, Applicant has not included copies of any US Patents or US Patent Applications identifiable by serial number that may be cited with this submission. Should the Office require copies to be provided, Applicant respectfully requests that notice of such requirement be directed to Applicant's below-signed representative. Applicant acknowledges the requirement to submit copies of foreign patent documents and non-patent literature in accordance with 37 C.F.R. 1.98(a)(2).

The Examiner is invited to contact the Applicants' Representative at the below-listed telephone number if there are any questions regarding this communication.

Respectfully submitted,

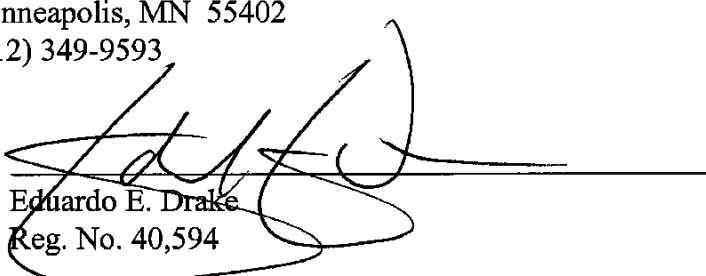
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US PATENT DOCUMENTS

Examiner Initial *	USP Document Number	Publication Date	Name of Patentee or Applicant of cited Document	Filing Date if Appropriate
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OTHER DOCUMENTS -- NON PATENT LITERATURE DOCUMENTS

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		GILKERSON, JAMES O., et al., "IMPLANTABLE DEFIBRILLATORS WITH PROGRAMMABLE CROSS-CHAMBER BLANKING", <u>Application Serial No. 10/756,897, Filed January 14, 2004 Attorney Docket No. 279.214US3, 16 pgs.</u>	
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Substitute Disclosure Statement Form (PTO-1448)

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Applicants would like to bring to the Examiner's attention the following related application(s) in the above-identified patent application:

<u>Serial/Patent No.</u>	<u>Filing Date/Issue Date</u>	<u>Attorney Docket</u>	<u>Title</u>
09650913 6873875	August 29, 2000	279.324US1	IMPLANTABLE PULSE GENERATOR AND METHOD HAVING ADJUSTABLE SIGNAL BLANKING
10889348	July 12, 2004	279.324US2	IMPLANTABLE PULSE GENERATOR AND METHOD HAVING ADJUSTABLE SIGNAL BLANKING

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Continuations and divisionals may be later filed on the cases listed above, or cited to the Examiner in any previous Communication Concerning Related Applications. Applicants request that the Examiner review all continuations and divisionals of the above-listed or previously-cited patent applications before allowing the claims of the present patent application.

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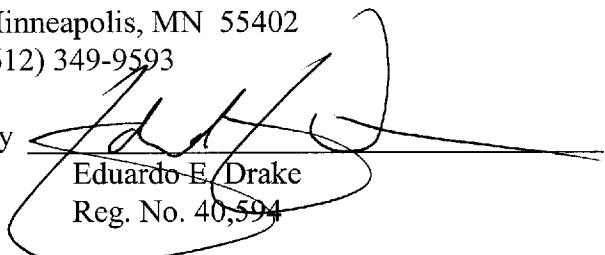
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